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SUBJECT: IRANIAN DEVELOPMENTAL FUNDS FOR JORDAN AND
TUNISIA

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1. IN RESPONSE TO QUERY, PRIME MINISTER HOVEYDA STATED THAT GOI WAS GRANTING \$5,000,000 TO GOJ KOR DEVELOPMENTAL PROJECTS YET TO BE DECIDED. THIS LOAN IS REPAYABLE IN 15 YEARS WITH A 3-YEAR GRACE PERIOD AT 2 PERCENT INTEREST. AS THE MONEY IS REPAID, IT IS KEPT IN IRAN IN SINGLE FUND WHERE IT IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE FOR OTHER JORDANIAN PROJECTS. NO RPT NO MILITARY AID IS INVOLVED.

2. HOVEYDA SAID THERE WERE DIFFERENCES AMONG JORDANIAN LEADERS, INCLUDING ROYAL FAMILY, AS TO WHAT PROJECTS MONEY SHOULD BE ALLOTTED. THERE WAS TALK OF A RESETTLEMENT VENTURE, AN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM, ETC. AS FAR AS HE KNOWS, NO SPECIFIC DECISION HAS BEEN MADE. ONLY PROSCRIPTION HE PUT ON USE OF FUNDS WAS THAT THEY MUST NOT GO TO ANY PROJECT IN WHICH ANY MEMBER OF ROYAL FAMILY
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HAD A FINANCIAL INTEREST. INCIDENTIALLY, HE WAS MUCH

IMPRESSED WITH CROWN PRINCE HASSAN'S INTELLIGENCE AND SINGLE-MINDEDNESS. HE NOTED HARD FEELINGS WHICH STILL EXIST IN ROYAL FAMILY OVER KING HUSSEIN'S MARRIAGE AND CHOICE OF WIFE.

3. TUNISIA WAS ALLOCATED \$5,000,000 FOR DEVELOPMENTAL PROJECT ON SAME TERMS AS JORDAN FOLLOWING HOVEYDA'S RECENT VISIT THERE. ASSUME AMEMBASSY TUNIS HAS DETAILS.
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